

## Action Plan Update (p46 Open Space Strategy)

The updated Action Plan is colour coded to allow easy identification of the progress of site development.

Red indicates that nothing has been done to the site since 2004 and progress is still needed to be made to improve the site.

Amber/Orange indicates that the site need further development but has already had some development or that the site is in the process of being developed.

Green indicates that the site has been developed and no further action is needed.

The use if the Site Number is simply to make identification of each Open Space (OS) site easier, these are numbers I have allocated purely on the order in which the sites appear in the action plan.

### North Craven

Site	Site Number	Typology	Previous site issues	Recommended actions	Updated Assessment
Amenity Area, New Village, Ingleton	OS1	Amenity green space	Possible site for children's play area, but residents would need to be consulted further. Unsure of land ownership.	Play area could possibly be created at the site following consultation with local residents.	Currently no development as it is open grass
Between Bank House and Holly Cottage, Burton Rd, Low Bentham	OS2	Amenity green space and play area	Unsafe due to proximity to road without fencing. There is a large bend in the road at this point, increasing this problem.  Potential site for play extension although fencing would be needed and traffic signs.	Investment is needed to enhance the current site due to the lack of provision in the current area.  The site needs to be fenced to decrease the chance of children running into the road.  Play surfaces and equipment need investment in line with modern standards.	Site not developed any further, no evidence of play equipment at the site.

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Wesley Close, High Bentham	OS3	Amenity green space and play area	The Site is in poor condition due to the evident vandalism. There is evidence of glass, fly tipping and the movement of equipment at the site.	Maintenance of the site should be reviewed and the site should be referred to the Crime Reduction Team in order for them to evaluate the situation.	Site is being regularly used by residents. There is a small amount of rubbish littering the area but no present evidence of vandalism. Is there provision for young people in the area?
Playing fields, Bentham Moor Rd, Burton in Lonsdale	OS4	Amenity greenspace and play area	There are several swings in a poor condition located at the site. There is potential to increase play equipment at the site.	The play area needs to be fenced separately from the sports pitches and car park. Current equipment should be replaced by more modern equipment and safety surfaces constructed.	There is a fence multi-use sports facility 1x mini football and 1x tennis courts, 1 set of basket ball nets is present. Some equipment is in need of repair. There is a wooden play area present adjacent to the playing field, which has had recent replacement of equipment to ensure its present standards are adequate. Safety surfaces and fencing is still required on the site.
Red Ash Lane, Middle School, Ingleton	OS5	N/A	A new play area is to be created at the School by Ingleton PC.	CDC should support the development and maintenance of the site where possible.	A small fenced off area has markings for a netball court and football pitch with other hopscotch markings in the play area. It is enclosed within school grounds.
Wenning Ave, High Bentham	OS6	Provision for Children and Young People.	The surface grip and line markings are adequate. However, there is glass on the surface and no goalposts within the MACA.  The fencing is rusty and falling down. The basketball nets on site face a different direction to the court markings.  The MACA is therefore inadequate.	Unsure of ownership as adjacent to private sports club. The MACA should be demolished and replaced by a new MACA supporting informal and formal sports activity.  The MACA is in a strong position to serve the Bentham population and would be especially attractive to teenagers and five a side football.	A small, fenced Children's play area (gate broken) that looks reasonably new is next to the tennis courts (x2). The surface is tarmac and also has markings for a mini football pitch. There is currently only one net for tennis which is broken; the fence is rusty with large holes in. No entrance from the Children's play area but this appears to be the side used most, as opposed to the one backing onto the sports club. The facilities are still considered to be inadequate.

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Cleveland Square, High Bentham	OS7	Civic Space	The Site is in an average condition but contains no furniture.	There is great scope to improve the appearance and the use of this site. New paving and seating would allow the site to be used as meeting place and may attract more tourists to stop in the Town.	Benches are present now and there is a decorated bus shelter. The floor is paved and it appears that recommendations have been carried out to an adequate standard.
Back Gate, Ingleton	OS8	Provision for Children and Young People	Parish Council trying to purchase the land from CDC to create a play facility for older children.	CDC should support the development and maintenance of the site where possible. Maintenance agreements should be completed with Ingleton PC as a condition of leasing the land.	The playing field shows evidence of a bike ramp, cricket net, benches and open field with small concrete stand for spectators. Tennis Courts have been developed on a special surface with markings for 1 x mini football pitch, 2 x tennis courts, 1 x netball although no netball nets were present.

#### Settle sub area

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Station Rd, Hellifield	OS 9	Amenity green space and play area	Demand has been expressed for more lighting at the site. Play area is not fenced Grass surface Poor natural surveillance as trees surround the recreation ground.	The play area should be fenced and a safety surfacing installed. Lighting should be created at the site.	Goal posts falling down. No fence is present and railings that are at the site entrance next to the road are broken. There is still no additional lighting and the area continues to be surrounded by trees.

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Thornview Rd, Hellifield	OS 10	Amenity green space and play area	<p>Demand has been expressed for a new children's play area, as the current equipment is rusting. Lighting is also needed at the site.</p> <p>The Site could be considered unsafe as it is adjacent to roads but not fenced.</p> <p>Bark surface</p> <p>Poor natural surveillance.</p>	Current provision should be replaced in order to adhere to modern safety standards.	No Childrens Play Area visible, just open space.
Rathmell	OS 11	Green corridor	The re-establishment of existing Public Rights of Ways is causing conflict with agricultural workers as many footpaths pass through mechanised farms and many feel that encouraging more walkers to the area is likely to create health and safety problems.	Further investigation is needed into the health and safety legislation with regards to this.	Unsure of present situation, can assume nothing has been done with regard to this.
Harrison Playing Fields, Bankwell Rd, Giggleswick	OS 12	Provision for children and young people.	<p>Play area has a grass surface.</p> <p>Quite secluded and reached by walking through small alley.</p>	Safety surface is needed at the site.	Still a grass surface, Equipment in reasonable condition.

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St Alkelda's Churchyard Giggleswick	OS 13	Church yard	<p>The Churchyard has a management plan, which has been developed through partnership with English Nature, the aims of which are to have a good mix of managed and natural areas, with natural planting schemes.</p> <p>It has only fifteen years of burial space left and therefore further land needs to be purchased so that the Churchyard can be extended.</p>	<p>Planning for the extension of the burial ground should begin to be undertaken.</p> <p>CDC should support the development of the churchyard where possible.</p>	Doesn't look to have any new land designated for burial. Site is clean and tidy and has recently had work done to stabilise some of the older headstones.
Castleberg Lane, Settle	OS 14	Amenity green space	<p>Located on quiet residential road. Similar function to front garden for residents due to the density of housing in the area.</p> <p>The small size of the site and its topography means that it cannot be used for recreational play.</p> <p>The site is well maintained and contains a good variety of flora.</p> <p>The site provides a valuable, visual amenity.</p>	<p>CDC should evaluate the use of this site further as this site provides an opportunity to ease parking congestion in the area.</p> <p>The creation of a parking area will decrease the maintenance costs created through the current use of the Site.</p>	Owned by Settle Town Council. Creating a Parking area would most likely create conflict as the site has some history behind it and the amenity is used by locals.

Skipton sub area

Site	Site Number	Typology	Previous site issues	Recommended actions	Updated Assessment
Aireville Park, Skipton	OS 15	Parks and Gardens	Young people expressed a desire for more lighting at the site and more challenging skateboarding equipment.	Skatepark needs to be extended, as new equipment is needed to challenge users. When renewing skating equipment in the future, movable equipment should be purchased so that it can be moved from site to site.	Lottery funded plans have been made for the improvement of the Park and it will be attempted to get a Green Flag Award.
Skipton Woods	OS 16	Semi/ Natural Green space	Better signing of the Site is needed as many visitors become confused over the direction of the path, as it passes through a residential garden.	Increased signage from the nearby road and canal towpath. Consultation with local residents may be needed to increase the publicity of this route.	Skipton Woods is owned by SKipton Castle but leased and managed by The Woodland Trust, who think there is interpretation/information boards at the site.
Middletown footpaths, Skipton	OS 17	Green Corridor	Dog fouling problems. More dog fouling bins are needed.	Increasing educational signs relating to dog fouling and a press campaign highlighting prosecutions for dog fouling.	One bin is present near to the childrens play area.
North Parade, MACA	OS 18	Provision for children and young people	Demand has also been identified for a youth shelter and motorbike/quad trail at this site.	Consultation should be continued with local residents and young people in order to gain information on what is required at the Site. CDC should support Skipton TC to increase facilities for teenagers.	Owned by Skipton Town Council. Nothing appears to have happened at the site in recent years. It is located adjacent to Greatwood and Horse Close Community Centre.

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Rombalds Drive Play Area, Skipton	OS 19	Provision for children and young people	<p>There is a large amount of local demand for a play area on this estate.</p> <p>There is an empty MACA on site, which is an 'L' shape and has damaged fencing. A small bark area, which previously contained play equipment, is also on the site.</p> <p>The community feels that the current bark surface is unsafe as glass and needles are hidden within it.</p>	<p>A new play area needs to be fenced to stop children running into the road.</p> <p>CDC should support the creation of a young children's play area at the site. Skipton Town Council has identified a need for the play area.</p> <p>There is less need to renovate the MACA at this site, as there is a new facility less than three minutes walk away.</p>	<p>The site has been planted with shrubs. There is no demand for a play area here as there is one close by that is used more by residents. Craven District Council wants to transfer control and maintenance of this site to Skipton Town Council.</p>
Gawflat Meadow (part of Aireville Park)	OS 20	Semi/ Natural greenspace	<p>A local environmental group want people to walk around the perimeter so as not to disturb the wildlife.</p> <p>Would like notices - conservation meadow/ permissive footpath.</p> <p>Yorkshire Wildlife Trust feels that the hedgerows will have more ecological value if they are kept in their current state.</p>	<p>Hedgerows must be retained in their current state.</p> <p>Signs should be erected which ask people to stay on the perimeter path.</p> <p>Tree planting at the site should be reviewed in consultation with Yorkshire Wildlife Trust.</p>	<p>Part of the lottery funded project at Aireville Park.</p>

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Recreation Ground, Regent Rd, Skipton	OS 21	Amenity greenspace and provision for children and young people	No fence for equipped play area. The play area has a grass surface.	A safety surface is needed within the play area. The equipped play area should be fenced.	Equipment in good condition but with mainly grass surfaces.
Shortbank Close, Skipton	OS 22	Provision for children and young people	This site is at an entrance to a children's play area. The police regularly receive complaints from elderly residents with regards to noise and vandalism caused by young people. The play area has a grass surface.	The Site and surrounding area needs more lighting to deter groups from assembling in this area. Consultation should be completed with the young people to understand why they visit the Site. A youth shelter or game wall could be constructed in the vicinity to deter young people from gathering here.	The site is fenced and has a tarmac surface. There is a bin present and that is all within the site.
Airedale Ave, Gargrave	OS 23	Provision for children and young people	Glass and contraceptives have been found within the play area at this site. Skateboarding is a nuisance in the village as children skate on the streets and in car parks. Local groups are aiming to develop a skatepark on the recreation ground to cater for this demand.	Maintenance of the play area should be increased. CDC should support local groups develop a skatepark through further consultation with young people. Funding for revenue costs must be found as well as capital.	Managed by Gargrave Parish Council, this site is in good condition with numerous bins at the site. Little rubbish was found at the site and some safety surfaces (bark) were present for some equipment but not all.



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Skipton Market Area	OS 24	Civic Space	<p>The Market Area is cobbled, which may cause problems for the disabled.</p> <p>The Site is used for car parking and fuel infrequently leaks onto the pavement, making the surface slippery for pedestrians.</p>	<p>The cobbled areas should continue to be maintained as they contribute to the heritage of the area.</p> <p>Maintenance of the site should be reviewed as a priority to ensure there are no slippages caused by fuel.</p>	Not sure if this has been investigated
Holy Trinity Church, Skipton	OS 25	Cemetery	<p>There is a need for extra seating at the Site, as several benches had to be removed recently. These seats are well used by local workers and tourists.</p> <p>Disabled access to the churchyard is needed. Current entrances include steps or a narrow gate, which are often difficult for elderly or disabled persons to use.</p>	<p>CDC to gain funding for new benches should support the Church. This is a key site for residents and tourists.</p> <p>The Church should be assisted where possible by CDC to help the Church gain external funding so that DDA requirements can be met.</p>	Benches are present at all the locations they should be on this site. Recent replacements have ensured this.
The Wilderness	OS 26	Semi/ Natural greenspace	<p>Interpretation boards desired at the site.</p> <p>Young people and local residents created path. Includes children's play area and recreation ground.</p>	CDC should assist local groups to apply for funding to create interpretation boards at the Site.	Paths and Benches have been created at the site and a sign is present at the gate.

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Waller Hill amenity area	OS 27	Amenity greenspace and provision for children and young people	<p>Dog fouling a problem, residents would like a, 'Dogs on Lead' sign.</p> <p>Groups of young people are congregating near the site and cause a nuisance to the local residents.</p> <p>Community safety agencies feel that an activity wall and community consultation may have appositive effect. Residents feel lighting may deter the groups from visiting the site.</p> <p>Elderly people have difficulty climbing the steps without a rail.</p> <p>There are health and safety problems relating to the beck at the rear of the site.</p>	<p>CDC supports community safety agencies to consult and develop activities for young people.</p> <p>Extra lighting should be constructed around the perimeter of the site and along the steps.</p> <p>A handrail should be assembled along the steps to assist those with impaired mobility.</p> <p>The open nature of the Site will make it difficult to fence the beck at the rear of the site, therefore notices should be created which deter people from entering the beck.</p>	Unsure of location
Gargrave Village Green	OS 28	Amenity greenspace	<p>Residents would like interpretation boards, which provide information to visitors about the Centre's history.</p> <p>An electricity substation on the green is unused and residents would like it to be demolished.</p> <p>Local residents gardens are encroaching onto the village green.</p>	<p>A historical survey should be undertaken, which could provide information for the creation of interpretation boards.</p> <p>If the substation is not in use or likely to gain future use it should be demolished.</p> <p>CDC should evaluate the use of the village green by local residents and take action where necessary.</p>	Most boundaries are fenced and walled. An interpretation Board is present at the bus stop area. The substation does not appear to be derelict and is kept neat and tidy regardless with matching paint and it is fenced off.

South Craven

Site	Site Number	Typology	Current site issues	Recommended actions	Updated Assessment
Sutton Park	OS 29	Parks and gardens	Children intimidated by the older teenagers that use the site.	A separate area for teenagers may need to be created in order to separate the two groups.	Maintained well and adequate. Separation is not likely to work on the site due to its size.
Opposite Burlington Farm, Main St, Lothersdale	OS 30	Amenity greenspace	The Site is in a poor condition, due to the tangled wire and overgrown flora at the site.	The community should be consulted over the best use of this land. There is need for a play area or formal provision in the area. If possible a community group should be created to obtain funding and care for the site	Nothing appears to have been done with the site although there is evidence of residents dumping garden waste (christmas trees) etc. The site does look to have some form of maintenance carried out on a small scale.
Amenity Area, Ryeland Rd/ Park Rd, Crosshills	OS 31	Amenity greenspace and provision for children and young people	The play area is not fenced and is adjacent to a busy road.	The play area should be fenced in order to decrease the chance of children running into the road.	Could not find any play provision in the area.
Middleton Playground, Gill Lane, Middleton	OS 32	Provision for children and young people.	The play area has a tarmac surface	Safety surfacing is needed at the Site.	Site has a small amount of play equipment with tarmac surfaces and open grass for informal play.

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Playing Field, Main St, Cononley	OS 33	Amenity greenspace and provision for children and young people	The play area has a grass surface. MACA on site - 1 court with 2 basketball hoops, not fenced, floodlit, generally good.	Play area needs a safety surface.	Individual pieces of equipment have safety surfaces but the whole area does not.
St Andrews Church, Kildwick	OS 34	Cemetery	The whole Church is undergoing redevelopments, in order to meet Disability Discrimination Act requirements. This will affect the open space around the Site.	CDC and other agencies should support the site's development plan where possible.	This appears to have been done.
Recreation Ground, Priest Bank Rd, Kildwick	OS 35	Amenity greenspace and provision for children and young people	Play area has grass surface. Two swings and one goalpost made from wood.	This site provides an opportunity to enhance play provision in South Craven and opportunities to increase play provision at the site should be taken.	This site does not have a lot of equipment present and it is not in a good condition, this area could be greatly improved.
Cowling Park	OS 36	Parks and gardens	A redundant MACA at the Site is littered with glass and rubbish making it dangerous to play on.	The MACA should be restored and maintenance increased.	Unsure of location.

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Village Recreation Ground, Cowling	OS 37	Amenity greenspace and provision for children and young people	<p>Demand for a skatepark facility came from a 'Planning for Real' project.</p> <p>There are currently mixed feelings in the village as to whether this facility is needed or Section 106 funding should be put towards another facility.</p> <p>The project is currently at an embryonic stage.</p> <p>Lighting is needed within the Park as many young people feel intimidated using the Park in the evening as it is used by groups of young people drinking at night.</p>	<p>Further consultation is needed with young people in this area to specify demand.</p> <p>Section 106 funding could be spent renovating and maintaining current provision in the area, e.g., Cowling Park MACA.</p> <p>Lighting is needed in the park if young people are going to use it's facilities in the evening. Lighting may also deter groups from congregating in the Park.</p>	Small skatepark, Dog fouling was a problem, but signs are present to say dogs can't go in the area designated for children. Site run by Cowling Parish Council